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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF MAILED JANUARY 22, 2007

Dear Sir/Madam:

This paper is submitted in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief Mailed January 22, 2007. The brief was cited as non-compliant for failing to contain the correct status of all claims. In response thereto, beginning on page 2 of this paper is a corrected status of all claims.

III. STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-3, 5-15, 17, and 18 are pending and stand rejected in the captioned case.

Claims 4 and 16 are canceled. Pending claims 1-3, 5-15, 17, and 18 are the subject of this appeal.

CONCLUSION

The present response is believed to be a complete response to the issues raised in the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief Mailed January 22, 2007.

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